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A CONCURRENT MEMORIAL

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO ALLOW STATES TO
MANAGE GAS TAX DOLLARS WITHOUT COLLECTION AND DISBURSEMENT BY THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 To the Congress of the United States and the Secretary of the United States
2 Department of Transportation:

3 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

4 Whereas, the United States Department of Transportation was established
5 by an act of Congress on October 15, 1966, and the department's first
6 official day of operation was April 1, 1967; and

7 Whereas, the mission of the department is to "serve the United States
8 by ensuring a fast, safe, efficient, accessible and convenient transportation
9 system that meets our vital national interests and enhances the quality of
10 life of the American people, today and into the future"; and

11 Whereas, the main mission of the department has largely been fulfilled
12 by the completion of the federal interstate highway system; and

13 Whereas, state and local governments are faced with difficult decisions
14 regarding local transportation needs on a continuing and ever-increasing
15 basis; and

16 Whereas, the federal motor fuel taxes charged to the citizens of
17 Arizona are needlessly sent to the federal government before being returned
18 to the state government; and

19 Whereas, federal restrictions, mandates and spending requirements
20 prevent the citizens of Arizona from setting their own transportation
21 priorities.

22 Wherefore your memorialist, the House of Representatives of the State of
23 Arizona, the Senate concurring, prays:

24 1. That the United States Congress enact legislation making monies
25 collected under the federal gas tax immediately available to the individual
26 states to fund their transportation needs.

27 2. That the United States Congress enact legislation to cease the
28 collection of motor fuel taxes in Arizona so that this state can collect and
29 distribute the taxes without the delay caused by federal collection and
30 disbursement.

31 3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies
32 of this Memorial to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of
33 the United States House of Representatives, the Secretary of the United
34 States Department of Transportation and each Member of Congress from the
35 State of Arizona.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE FEBRUARY 29, 2012.

PASSED BY THE SENATE MARCH 20, 2012.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 20, 2012.

Passed the House February 29, 20 12

by the following vote: 39 Ayes,

15 Nays, 5 Not Voting
1 vacant

[Signature]
Speaker of the House

Cheryl Laube
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate March 20, 20 12

by the following vote: 25 Ayes,

4 Nays, 1 Not Voting

[Signature]
President of the Senate

[Signature]
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Memorial received by the Secretary of State
this 20th day of March, 20 12

H.C.M. 2004

at 2:56 o'clock P M.

[Signature]
Secretary of State